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For: METHOD AND COMPOSITION FOR SUPPLEMENTATION OF
NUTRITIONAL DEFICIENCIES IN RENAL PATIENTS

REPLY AND AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a reply to the Office Action (Paper No. 5) mailed 12 March 2002.
Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present rejections in view of the
following amendments and remarks.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 13, line 16, replace with the following amended paragraph:

A 1 L-Optizinc ZML-200 Inter-Health (zinc L-methionine) 20 mg

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly cancel claims 31-35 without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter
thereof.

Kindly amend claims 1, 19, 36, and 37 as follows:

A 2 1. (amended) A composition for supplementing nutritional deficiencies in a patient or
person in need thereof, comprising about 45 mg to about 55 mg vitamin C, about 31.5 IU to
about 38.5 IU vitamin E, about 180 µg to about 220 µg chromium, about 63 µg to about 77

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